

The second issue of "That's so HSE" is dedicated to two main topics. The first is festive as we would like to congratulate the university with its 20th anniversary which will take place in the upcoming month. We are offering a generalized portrait of HSE as a gift. The portrait was collaboratively created by the participants of HSE Day which took place on September 6 at the Gorky Park.

The second topic is the announcement of the four HSE key monitoring surveys: students, faculty, administrative staff, and alumni surveys, that will take place in November, 2012. For now, we are presenting a few highlights from previous years.

## HSE as a Human

We asked participants of HSE Day to describe what our university would look like, what career it would have and what it would love if it was a human. As a result, a portrait of HSE was created. Distribution of responses about the gender proved to be accurate: half respondents suggested that HSE is a male and half – a female.

### Infographics:

If HSE Was a Human

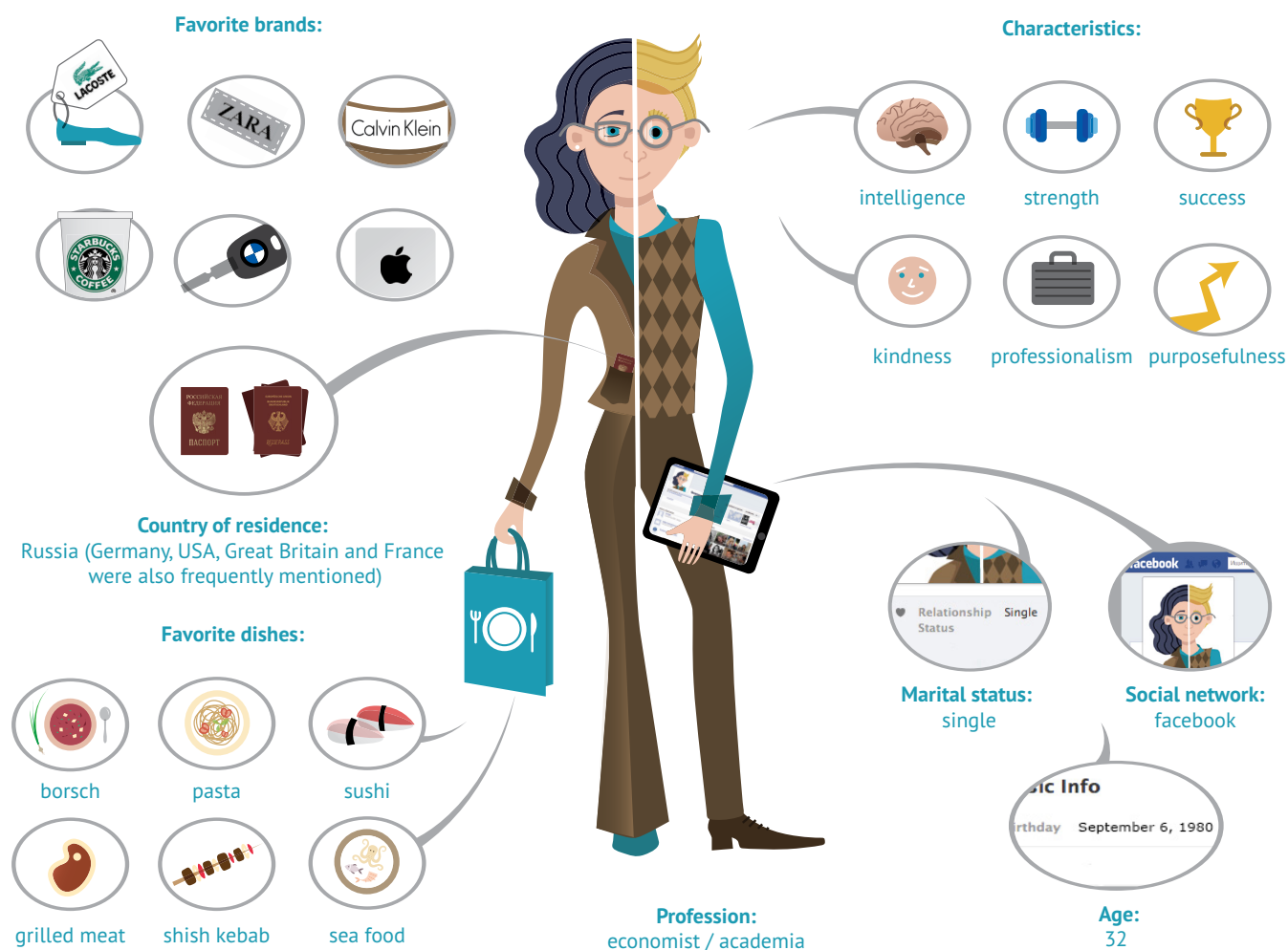
Monitoring of Students, Alumni,  
Faculty and Administrative Staff

Figure of the Month

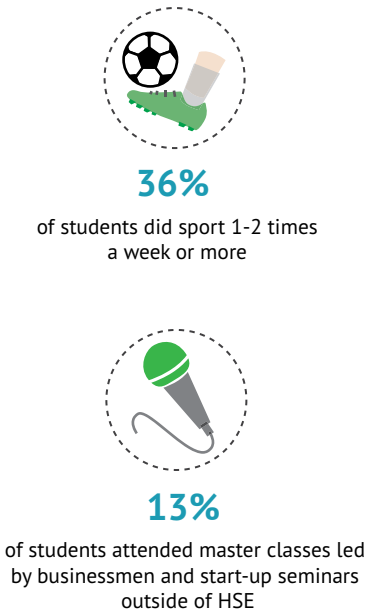
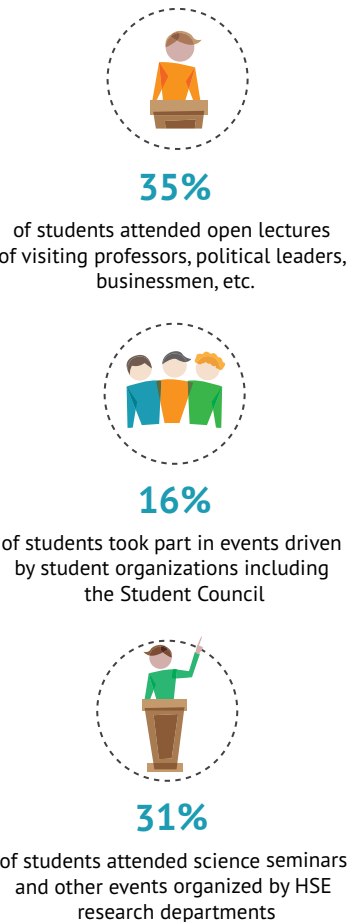
### Reading:

HSE in Good Company

Research Announcement



Each Fall HSE conducts four monitoring surveys. We ask the university's members about various topics such as educational process, professional development, university services, future plans, etc. In November we will invite students, faculty, administrative staff and alumni to participate in these surveys again. As for this issue, we will share a few highlights from last year's surveys which showcase life of the university's community.

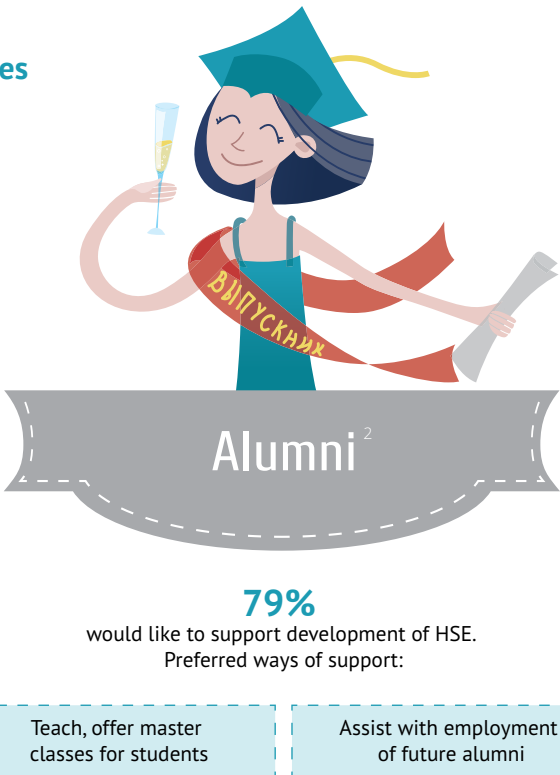
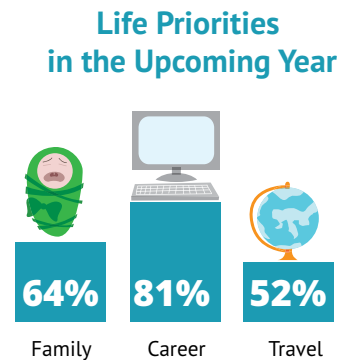


#### Currently employed

Year	2007	2009	2011		
Bachelor	41%	29%	24%	5% work at HSE	19% work outside of HSE
Master	77%	68%	60%	8% work at HSE	52% work outside of HSE

#### Top 4 competencies that HSE helps to develop, alumni responses

- Manage large volumes of work
- Find, evaluate and use information from a variety of sources in order to complete professional tasks
- Complete tasks on time with tight deadlines
- Obtain new knowledge independently, learn new information



#### Top 6 industries of alumni 2011 career

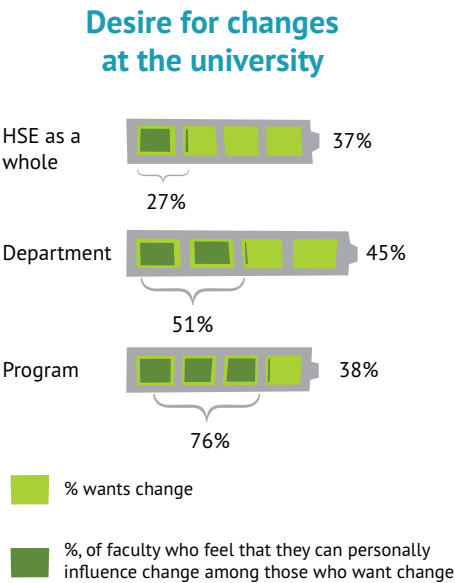
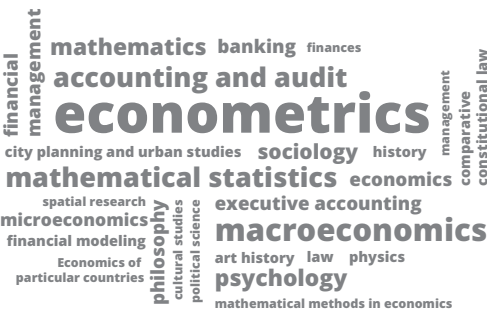


#### Comments regarding further development of HSE<sup>4</sup>

- Lighten bureaucracy of administrative processes
- Allow arrangement of business travel, financial reports, etc. through "one window"
- Permit to submit electronic documents with no paper version
- Create unified campus with the compact location of all buildings
- Improve conditions and equipment in lecture halls and classrooms
- Support international relations and partnerships in departments and divisions
- Attract international colleagues and students
- Support interdisciplinary research



#### Professional development courses<sup>5</sup> which are of an interest to faculty



## HSE in Good Company

In September HSE became a member of the International Consortium "Student Experience in the Research University".

**The Consortium mission is to develop a global network of universities interested in creating most suitable conditions for education and overall student development.**

University of California, Berkeley is the initiator and coordinator of the consortium. Participating universities are located in USA, China, Brazil, the Republic of South Africa, and Europe.

Annually, participating universities conduct comparative online surveys among undergraduate students to learn about experiences at their university and receive feedback from students. Typically, these surveys are conducted during spring semester. Now, HSE will also be conducting this survey. The first survey is planned to go out to students in the spring of 2013.

What are the benefits of being a member of the consortium for HSE students, faculty and staff?

First of all, we will analyze various aspects of student experience in order to understand how to improve education and student services. Secondly, we will compare experience of HSE students with experience of students from USA (including such universities as University of California, Berkeley), Great Britain, China and other countries. This will allow HSE to look at itself from the outside and evaluate its chances to become a world class university from a student life perspective.

### Participating Universities (in addition to HSE):

- University of California, Berkeley (USA)
- University of Michigan (USA)
- University of Minnesota (USA)
- University of Oregon (USA)
- Universidade Estadual de Campinas (Brazil)
- Hunan University (China)
- Nanjing University (China)
- Xian Jiaotong University (China)
- Amsterdam University College (Netherlands)
- Bristol University (Great Britain)
- University of Cape Town (UAE)

## HSE Needs to Hear Everyone

Each year the Institutional Research Center conducts a series of large scale research projects to understand how current and recent HSE members live, study, work and feel. The four monitoring projects will start this fall. We are inviting the following parties to participate:

- Students
- Administrative staff
- Faculty
- Alumni

The survey is conducted electronically for convenience of our participants. Invitations are to be sent soon to personal e-mail addresses. Participation in the survey is one of ways to express opinion about what happens at the university and share experience about life within the university community. Survey results are always taken into a consideration by university administration, and are discussed at university administration and academic council meetings.

## Figure of the Month



**85%**

**of students would choose to study at HSE if they were making a decision about which university to attend again**

## Mem of the Month

**WONDERS OF MYASNITSKAYA:**



**ENTERED AT ONE ADDRESS,  
EXITED FROM ANOTHER**

Source: community V Kontakte  
[http://vk.com/hse\\_mem](http://vk.com/hse_mem)

## How do people connected with HSE see it?

In order to answer this question we asked HSE Day guests to list which qualities set apart our students, faculty and alumni.



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